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TO: CASABLANCA, CORK, DUBLIN, FLORENCE, LONDON, PARIS, ROME, ZURICH.

Representative James T. Patterson (R., Conn.) and Mrs. Patterson departed New York on August 5 on the S. S. AMERICA for a one-month trip to Europe. Mr. Patterson is a member of the House Committee on Armed Services and the purpose of his trip is to make a first-hand observation of problems facing military commanders in Europe and to visit major military headquarters. Mr. Patterson is also a member of the Joint Committee on Atomic Energy.

The itinerary is expected to be as follows:

August 5	Lv	New York City	S. S. AMERICA
11	Ar	Cobh	
11	Lv	Cobh	Private car
11	Ar	Dublin	
13	Lv	Dublin	Third Air Force airlift
13	Ar	London	
15	Lv	London	Courier flight
15	Ar	Paris	
16	Lv	Paris	Courier flight
16	Ar	Wiesbaden	
17	Lv	Wiesbaden	Military automobile
17	Ar	Heidelberg	
18	Lv	Heidelberg, about 2 a.m.	Commercial rail
18	Ar	Zurich, about 9 a.m.	
19	Lv	Zurich	Commercial rail
19	Ar	Rome	
20	Lv	Rome, p.m.	Commercial rail or air
20	Ar	Florence	

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August 22	Lv	Florence	Military automobile
22	Ar	Leghorn	
23	Lv	Leghorn	USNS GEIGER
Sept. 3	Ar	New York	

(stops over a few hours in Casablanca on August 26)

As requested in the Department's telegram of this date regarding hotel accommodations, Representative and Mrs. Patterson will appreciate hotel reservations (double room with bath) being made for them in accordance with their itinerary. The Department of the Army will arrange accommodations in Wiesbaden, Heidelberg and Leghorn.

Where the mode of transportation is listed as commercial air or rail, posts are requested to make the travel reservations. Please coordinate with the military to learn of arrival times when arrival is by military transportation.

The provisions of the Handbook for Congressional Travel apply. Meet on arrivals, assist through customs, and extend the usual courtesies.

Inasmuch as the automobile trip from Cobh to Dublin was arranged by the Congressman and meeting him on arrival Dublin would be impossible, Amembassy Dublin is requested to notify Amconsulate, Cork of the hotel accommodations acquired in Dublin. Amconsulate, Cork is requested to meet Mr. and Mrs. Patterson on arrival Cobh on the S. S. AMERICA, notify them of the hotel accommodations secured in Dublin, and assist in any way possible.

All posts are requested to notify onward posts of arrival times, including flight or train numbers. If changes in the above itinerary occur, the Department will appreciate being informed. Some uncertainty existed at the time of the Congressman's departure from Washington as to whether the one day stop in Switzerland would be in Zurich or elsewhere. On arrival Paris, the Embassy is requested to check particularly on this matter and to notify those concerned, should changes in hotel reservations be necessary.

The stop in Casablanca is for the day of the 26th of August only. The USNS GEIGER is scheduled to arrive there in the morning and depart in the afternoon. The Pattersons should be met at the boat and extended courtesies.

The use by Representative Patterson of counterpart funds to defray official expenses incident to travel is authorized.

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